ACNM is

The standard-setting organization for midwifery education and practice
A top provider of continuing education in women’s health care
An advocate for safe, evidence-based maternity care made available to all American women
A community of public health activists
A leader in global health initiatives to improve maternal and newborn care in developing countries
A professional networking venue for midwives across the country
A leading publisher of women’s health research
The voice of midwifery in America

Our Mission

To promote the health and well-being of women and newborns within their families and communities through the development and support of the profession of midwifery as practiced by certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives.

ACNM is the professional association for thousands of practicing midwives, many of whom also represent midwifery with local, state, and national organizations, and serve on ACNM divisions, committees, and taskforces. For a more detailed report of the College’s activities, visit www.midwife.org/annualreport2008.cfm.
Message from the President and Executive Director

Some day we may look back and say 2008 was the turnaround year for maternity care and midwifery in America. For years, we’ve watched the cesarean section and preterm birth rates increase while infant mortality rates have remained unchanged. At the same time we have witnessed a decline in recognition of the benefits of normal, physiologic childbirth. Are these trends finally beginning to turn around?

In this report you will read about the whirlwind year that was 2008—a year packed with excitement in politics. ACNM made midwifery visible by participating in a broad array of national initiatives, launching new communications channels, and reaching out to the public in new ways. ACNM members once again scored notable achievements at the state level, and new, nationally approved ACNM bylaws laid the groundwork for additional success in the future. We are prepared for action in 2009 and beyond, as health policy issues move front and center in our nation.

ACNM has a crucial role to play in this pivotal time. In 2008, we defined new long-range strategic goals. ACNM’s FutureFocus initiative creates a framework for ACNM work for the foreseeable future based on member input. Our overarching aim is that by 2020, midwives will attend 20% of all births in the US. To achieve that goal:

1. We will create strategic communication detailing the value of midwifery care in the US by 2010.
2. There will be 1000 newly certified CNMs/CMs per year by 2015.
3. CNMs/CMs will achieve full autonomy in practice and equitable reimbursement by 2015.

Achieving these goals will require the concerted focus and efforts of our entire community—midwives in clinical practice, education, research, policy, and other fields—as well as our clients, corporate partners, and others interested in improving women’s health and maternity care.

Finally, we want to thank Kitty Ernst, CNM, MPH, DSc(Hon), FACNM, ACNM president, from May 2007 to November 2008. Kitty stepped down from ACNM leadership and continues to be a passionate voice for midwifery and evidence-based maternity care.

We are honored to serve ACNM members and listen to women.
Promoting the Midwifery Model of Care

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Midwives trust patients to make good decisions, are passionate about helping women understand their choices, and respect the power of women’s bodies and birth.

For pregnant women, midwives offer comprehensive prenatal care and a skilled continuous presence during labor, maximizing the likelihood of a healthy baby, healthy mother, and a satisfying birth experience.

Building awareness of midwifery in the US is a primary goal for ACNM. Many women are simply unaware of the midwifery model of care—a model characterized by personalized, preventive, evidence-based care. While births attended by certified nurse-midwives (CNMs) and certified midwives (CMs) have increased by an impressive 33% over the past decade, midwives still attend a minority of US births. Many women also don’t know that CNMs and CMs are fully trained to function as primary care providers.

However, US women are showing signs of a shift in awareness. Numerous media outlets publicized midwifery in 2008, which led to a growing trend of questioning the high-tech norm for maternity care. Media personality, actress, and mother Ricki Lake and filmmaker Abby Epstein highlighted midwives and birth in their documentary, The Business of Being Born, which resulted in a flurry of media debate in avenues as prominent as the New York Times, Time magazine, Newsweek, and Good Morning America as well as community outlets like Washington Parent magazine.

Public Education Project Articulates the Midwifery Message

ACNM staff attended the premier screening of The Business of Being Born in New York City. From left to right: Consultant Mairi Breen Rothman, CNM, MSN; Senior Technical Advisor Leslie Ludka, CNM; and Executive Director Lorrie Kline Kaplan.

ACNM staff and members contributed to articles covering midwifery in these publications and broadcast outlets.

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the benefits of the midwifery model of care. The messages were then integrated into midwifery-themed postage stamps. Moving forward in 2009, our strategy will be to use the messages to:

• Educate consumers about the shortcomings in US maternity care.
• Position midwives as the solution to those shortcomings.
• Make women aware that midwives are available in their communities.

While 2008 was a year for forming strategies, 2009 will be a time for mobilizing ACNM members with concrete tools to mainstream midwifery care by spreading the word in their communities. Thanks to continued funding by the A.C.N.M. Foundation, we expect the PEP campaign to make an even larger impact in the coming years and push us closer to our vision of midwives attending 20% of US births by 2020.

ACNM Members Reach Boston-area Women and Families

More than 1,500 people attended our first-ever Women’s Health Expo in Boston, where Mayor Thomas M. Menino declared May 24 Boston Nurse-Midwifery Day. Especially designed for consumers, the expo featured a birth film festival, health and vision screenings, and hundreds of exhibitors, intensifying the annual tradition of public outreach in the city that hosts the ACNM Annual Meeting & Exposition.

ACNM’s top-ranked Web site, midwife.org, received more than 100,000 monthly visits.

Online and Social Media Efforts

In 2008, we embraced online and social media as tools to facilitate communication with members and to encourage member-to-member interaction. We completed an in-house redesign of www.midwife.org, improving the user experience and portraying an image that accurately reflects our professional association. We also created an ACNM Facebook page at www.facebook.com/pages/American-College-of-Nurse-Midwives/51674209724 as a space for members and their supportive clients and families to connect.

Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino declared May 24 Boston Nurse-Midwifery Day at the first-ever ACNM Women’s Health Expo.

Over 500 signs on public buses and trains promoted the consumer-focused ACNM Women’s Health Expo.
ACNM believes that increased access to midwifery care is the key to improving outcomes for women and babies. A 2008 Cochrane Review showed that midwife-led care is associated with a host of positive outcomes, including increased feelings of control during labor and birth, shorter hospital stays, increased probability of vaginal birth, and decreased risk of episiotomy and birth by forceps or vacuum.1 Meanwhile, the shortcomings of US maternity care, including overuse of costly interventions and underuse of evidence-based care, were recently outlined in Evidence-Based Maternity Care, a report by Childbirth Connection, the Reforming States Group, and the Milbank Memorial Fund. The research shows that women and babies have never been more in need of health-promoting midwifery care.

Increased utilization of CNM and CM care can also expand access to cost-effective, high-quality primary care services for the 16.7 million US women who are uninsured.2 Given the current demand for universal coverage, there is likely to be a resulting increased demand for primary care services. CNMs and CMs can meet that demand and improve the quality of life for the many women in need.

ACNM is committed to breaking down barriers to the safe and satisfying services of CNMs and CMs. We welcome the opportunity to partner with legislators, regulators, other health care providers, and consumers to create a more hospitable practice environment for midwifery.

National Health Reform on the Horizon

At the federal level, ACNM members have been advocating to increase the rate of reimbursement for midwifery services to 100% of the Medicare fee schedule. Under current Medicare legislation, midwives are reimbursed at just 65% of the cost of their services. Midwives’ grassroots advocacy efforts in 2008 led to a House bill (HR 864) with 42 cosponsors and a companion bill in the Senate (S 507), which was sponsored by Senator Kent Conrad (D-ND) along with 24 cosponsors, many of whom serve on the Senate Finance Committee. This is the highest level of strategically important congressional support we have seen in the history of ACNM’s quest for equitable reimbursement for midwives. Although the bill did not see final approval in the 110th Congress, we are heartened by the progress made in 2008 and will forge ahead in the next legislative season.

Improving Care for Women and Babies

ACNM’s Seven Key Principles for Health Care Reform

1. Provide universal coverage.
2. Reduce health disparities.
3. Focus health care resources on wellness, disease prevention, and primary care.
4. Improve care integration and coordination.
5. Align payment systems with evidence-based practice and optimal outcomes rather than on maximizing billable interventions.
6. Improve women’s access to high quality care.
7. Significantly improve maternal and infant health.

Read more about each of the key principles and ACNM’s efforts related to health care reform at www.Midwife.org/health_care_reform.cfm.

The ACNM Presidential Task Force on Health Care Reform continued its work throughout the year. In the latter part of 2008, ACNM developed an ambitious federal policy agenda and actively participated in coalitions to develop shared principles for health care reform.

ACNM also issued an independent set of Seven Key Principles for Health Care Reform. Together, the agenda and the ACNM principles highlight the need for improved access to women’s health care services—including primary, gynecologic, family planning, and maternity care—and the urgency of removing barriers to CNM and CM practice in each of these vital areas of care throughout the US.

The ACNM set an aggressive federal policy agenda for the Obama administration and the 111th Congress. From left to right: ACNM board members Lynne Himmelreich, CNM, Melissa Avery, CNM, and Cathy Collins-Fulea, CNM.

Advocacy Efforts Take Root

State laws often create needless barriers to midwifery care by requiring unnecessary practice restrictions. ACNM members took a significant step toward removing state-level barriers by voting overwhelmingly in favor of new ACNM bylaws. The new bylaws call for the creation of state affiliates, which will strengthen ACNM advocacy efforts on the state level.

Throughout the year, ACNM advocated for evidence-based maternity care and equipped members with advocacy tools to expand access to midwifery care. We mounted a strong response to the American Medical Association (AMA) resolution against homebirth. ACNM board members met with AMA leaders, urging them to take steps to improve continuity of care for women choosing homebirth and to work with ACNM to remove practice barriers facing CNMs and CMs wishing to offer homebirth services. ACNM released “Homebirth: Resources for Payers and Policymakers,” an online packet of information supporting reimbursement policies and legislation in favor of safe access to responsible homebirth. We also released an online resource for midwives to use when applying for credentialing and medical staff privileging.

Spotlight on Quality in Maternity and Women’s Health Care

ACNM is a leading contributor to the development of evidence-based care practices that guide clinical and policy decisions and improve health outcomes for women and babies. A record number of members participated in the 2008 ACNM Benchmarking Survey—a survey that collects data from midwifery practices across the country and allows participants to share best practices in areas ranging from maternal and infant health outcomes and rates of childbirth interventions to numbers of primary care visits.

In 2008, we laid the groundwork for a midwifery data collaborative—a project that

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ACNM Represents Midwives and Clients

In 2008, ACNM representatives brought the midwifery perspective to:

- ACOG Committee on Patient Safety and Quality Improvement
- After Cesarean Planning Committee Meeting
- AMCHP Meeting on Emergency Preparedness and MCH Populations
- American Legislative Exchange Council
- CDC/ACOG Maternal Mortality Study Group
- Champion Nursing Council
- Changes to Vital Statistics Data Purchasing Conference
- Childbirth Connection’s Transforming Maternity Care Initiative
- Coalition for Improving Maternity Services
- Coalition for Patients’ Rights
- Global Health Council Countdown to 2015 Community Meeting
- Global Health Missions Conference
- Healthy People 2020
- Indian Health Service Invitational Gathering on Indigenous Birthing and Midwifery
- International Confederation of Midwives
- March of Dimes Prematurity Awareness Campaign
- National Coalition on Health Care
- National Conference of State Legislators
- National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Fetal Heart Rate Consensus Meeting
- National Institute of Health Consensus Development Conference on Vaginal Birth
- National Priorities Partnership
- Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative
- Reproductive Health Technologies Project Collaborator’s Roundtable
- Surgeon General’s Conference on the Prevention of Premature Birth
- US Breastfeeding Committee
- US Centers for Disease Control Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

ACNM representatives attended the International Confederation of Midwives Congress (ICM) in Glasgow, Scotland, which drew more than 3400 midwives from more than 90 countries. ACNM delegates also attended the ICM Council Meeting with 138 delegates from 65 countries. The Congress and Council Meeting occur just once every three years.

Evidence-based Research and Clinical Resources

ACNM contributes to and refines the pool of evidence-based research that guides care for women and babies. In 2008, our peer-reviewed journal, the Journal of Midwifery & Women’s Health, published a groundbreaking study, “The Lived Experience of Widowhood in Pregnancy,” which examined experiences of pregnant women whose husbands died in the 9/11 attacks or while serving in the US military. This was the first study to examine the experiences of pregnant widows. Two continuing education issues were published: “Infectious Disease” and “The Effects of Violence and Trauma on Women’s Health.” JMWH also launched “Global Exchange,” an online column for international women’s health reports.

The Journal of Midwifery & Women’s Health processed 307 submissions with an acceptance rate of 30%.

ACNM member Mary Callahan, CNM, at the ICM Congress in Glasgow, Scotland, with midwives in traditional country dress.

ACNM delegates at the ICM Council Meeting. From left to right: Katherine Camacho Carr, CNM, and Joyce Thompson, CNM.
“Life Saving Skills focuses on skills to reduce the high maternal mortality and global burden of pregnancy-related illnesses and death in the developing world. The nation thrives when mothers survive; we need to keep them alive.”

-Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf

ACNM staff and consultants train midwives, physicians, and other health care providers in safe delivery practices and other life-saving skills to help reduce maternal mortality in developing countries.

The Journal of Midwifery & Women’s Health now offers more than 40 “Share with Women” patient education handouts. Topics published in 2008 include:

- Cord Blood Banking—What’s It All About?
- HPV, Cervical Cancer, and You
- Induction of Labor
- Intimate Partner Violence
- Intrauterine Devices
- Staying Healthy on a Vegetarian Diet

This copyright-free series is available at www.Midwife.org/share_with_women.cfm for all health care providers to print and share with patients.

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ACNM published clinical bulletins, position statements, issue briefs, and a QuickInfo series containing accurate, up-to-date information on topics relevant to midwifery and women’s health. New and revised documents of 2008 include:

- Certified Nurse-Midwife/Certified Midwife as First Assist at Surgery
- Male Circumcision
- Midwifery Certification in the United States
- Midwives as Hospitalists/Laborists
- Oral Health
- Postpartum Depression
- Premature Rupture of Membranes (PROM) at Term
- Principles for Licensing and Regulating Midwives
- Providing Oral Nutrition to Women in Labor
- Vacuum Assisted Birth
- Women and Smoking

Life-Saving Skills training teaches the importance of preventing hypothermia by putting a hat on a newborn immediately after birth. ACNM’s Beanies for Babies™ campaign collects donated baby hats and distributes them around the world where baby hats are often not available.

Grants Fund Global Outreach

While ACNM’s primary focus is increasing access to midwifery care in the US, ACNM is strongly committed to reducing maternal and neonatal mortality worldwide. Funded largely by the US Agency for International Development (USAID), ACNM global outreach made a difference in Afghanistan, Albania, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Tanzania in 2008.

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New Edition of Life-Saving Skills Manual for Midwives Published

Designed to help reduce maternal mortality in developing countries, ACNM’s Life-Saving Skills Manual for Midwives was created by experienced midwives for use in settings with only the most basic resources. First developed in 1990, it has been used by nongovernment and government organizations in Africa, Asia, the Americas, and the Caribbean. The LSS manual has drawn international praise, including that of Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf. The revised and expanded fourth edition features ten modules written in easy-to-translate language and includes a pocket-sized clinical reference book. Publication of the new edition was made possible in part through a generous donation by the A.C.N.M. Foundation, Inc., and the Averting Maternal Death and Disability Program at Columbia University.
Forging the Future of Midwifery in the US

ACNM reached out to potential students, employers, policymakers, legislators, physicians, administrators, international health community leaders, and others through regular exhibits at trade shows and professional associations.

Increasing funds for midwifery education is a major component of ACNM’s current federal policy agenda. We have an ambitious vision for US midwifery: by 2020, midwives will attend 20% of births. While this vision certainly depends on removing barriers to midwifery practice, this is an especially challenging call to action for those involved in midwifery education and training. One of our FutureFocus goals is to produce 1000 newly certified CNMs and CMs by 2015. If 40 programs produce 25 graduates annually, we can reach our goal.

Nurse-midwifery and midwifery education programs are accredited by the ACNM Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME)—an autonomous agency recognized by the US Department of Education. Only graduates of ACME accredited programs are eligible to sit for the national credentialing exam for certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives.

Innovation and Interaction Boost Recruitment Efforts

We held our first annual Become a Midwife Forum at the ACNM 53rd Annual Meeting. More than 100 potential students participated in this free, interactive career event, which featured action stations equipped with birth simulators, pelvic models, and access to midwifery students and practicing midwives.

The State of Midwifery Education

In 2008, there were more than 300 newly certified CNMs and CMs—the highest in four years. There was an increase in applications to ACNM Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME, formerly the Division of Accreditation) programs, and a new cost-benefit analysis of midwifery education shows these applicants are pursuing a worthwhile investment. In the analysis, scheduled for publication in 2009, the benefits of midwifery education outweigh the expense incurred by students, academic institutions, clinical sites, and taxpayers. Most impressive is that nurses receive an 11.5% return every year of their professional lives on the investment made in a master’s-level midwifery program.

Over 100 potential students participated in the first ACNM Become a Midwife Forum—a free, interactive career event designed to recruit more midwives.
2008 was a challenging and volatile year for nonprofit and for-profit organizations alike. In the professional membership association sector, organizations grappled with unpredictable revenue streams related to membership dues, meeting attendance, and corporate support, as well as in investment accounts, which in recent years has been a source of operating revenues.

ACNM faced these challenges as well. During 2008, ACNM operating revenues were up by 4% compared to 2007. This was largely attributed to increased grant activity and publication sales. Operating expenses, however, exceeded revenue, resulting in a net operating loss primarily due to unexpected losses on the 2008 ACNM Annual Meeting, a core revenue source for ACNM. In response, ACNM is making significant changes to the Annual Meeting beginning in 2010.

Citigroup/Smith Barney continued to serve as the investment firm and advisors to ACNM in 2008. The associates of this firm work closely with the ACNM Finance and Audit Committee to ensure that reserve funds are invested in alignment with the financial policies of the College. 2008 was a volatile year for all investors. ACNM ended the year 2008 with net assets of $1.7 million reflecting a loss of over $1 million, due mostly to investment losses. While these losses were significant, the percentage decline in value was actually less than average losses in the marketplace as reported by the Standard & Poors and other major indices. ACNM remains committed to safeguarding the investments of the College by adhering to financial policies designed to maximize returns over the long-term.

In 2008, more than $3.7 million (76% of our total expenses) was invested in providing core member services, such as professional practice programs and resources, legislative and regulatory advocacy, promotion of the midwifery profession, and individual member assistance. ACNM strives to provide superior services to our members and representation for the profession while positioning the organization for continued growth. This is accomplished by maintaining an appropriate level of national office infrastructure to support these activities.

ACNM’s 2009 balanced budget includes continued support for existing activities as well as capital improvements to benefit the College. ACNM is exploring new revenue opportunities consistent with our mission, while assuring that money spent realizes value for the College and its membership. We are financially sound to continue to pursue our mission.

Finally, it must be noted with appreciation that the financial position of the College is positively impacted by the many dedicated members who serve on divisions, committees, task forces, and in other various volunteer positions within the College. Although not directly reflected in the financial statements, many members work numerous hours without compensation and thus provide tremendous value to our organization. ACNM extends its thanks to its members for their continued commitment to nurse-midwifery and to ACNM.

ACNM’s audited financial statements for 2008 and previous years are accessible for members only at www.midwife.org/financial_statements.cfm.

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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| CURRENT LIABILITIES |       |       |
| Accounts Payable | $139,973 |       |
| Accrued Salaries and Benefits | 108,788 |       |
| Deferred Membership Dues | 1,289,786 |       |
| Other Deferred Revenue | 270,979 |       |
| **Total Current Liabilities** | **$1,809,526** |       |
| OTHER LIABILITIES |       |       |
| Deferred Rent Expense | $191,234 |       |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES** | **$2,000,760** |       |
| NET ASSETS, UNRESTRICTED |       | 1,785,776 |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS** | **$3,786,536** |       |

### AMERICAN COLLEGE OF NURSE-MIDWIVES

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED

**DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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| NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR |       | 2,841,507 |
| NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR |       | $1,785,776 |

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**Financials (cont’d)**

Supporting midwifery for the good of women, infants, and families

Supporting midwifery is an affordable, practical, and powerful way to make a difference in the lives of women and their families. The A.C.N.M. Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that promotes excellence in health care for women, infants, and families through the support of midwifery. Thanks to the collective power of all of our donors—whether they gave $10 or $10,000—the Foundation was able to support important education, research, leadership, and policy work that makes a meaningful difference for all midwives.

Nurturing Midwives

Since 1967, the Foundation has sponsored hundreds of midwives and midwifery students in their efforts to enrich the lives of women and their families. In 2008, thanks to the contributions of thousands of donors, the Foundation supported seven basic midwifery scholarships, including three Midwives of Color-Watson scholarships, one Graduate Fellowship, two Varney Participant awards, and a W. Newton Long Research Award.

Addressing Vital Public Policy issues

At the end of 2008, the Foundation awarded its first-ever Deanne R. Williams Public Policy Fellowship. This award is especially timely given the focus on health care reform in the Obama administration. The 2008 award recipient, Lisa Summers, CNM, DrPH, FACNM, will create a white paper directed toward health care policymakers, using the approaches currently at the forefront of policy discussions, and addressing how each of these approaches can be applied to improve care for childbearing women and their families. The award will enable midwives to represent the interests of women and their families in this promising time of reform.

Raising Public Awareness of Midwifery

The A.C.N.M. Foundation provided crucial start-up funds to launch the Public Education Project (PEP)—a program designed to raise awareness about the many benefits of choosing a midwife for both maternity and primary health care. The Foundation was the primary supporter of the PEP in 2008, and will continue support in 2009. (Read more about the PEP on page 4.)

Introducing Nurses to Careers in Midwifery

This year we launched a new project intended to introduce more RNs to careers in midwifery and provide medical facilities with much needed staff training to reduce preterm labor and birth. With an educational grant from Hologic, Inc., the Foundation developed a series of ten training sessions for RNs to learn intrapartum sterile speculum exam and specimen collection. Each in-person session is led by clinically expert certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives, thereby exposing participants to the profession of midwifery. The initial training sessions have been well received and many institutions around the country are interested in hosting future sessions.

Improving Maternal Health in Developing Countries

Foundation funds supported the fourth edition of the Life-Saving Skills (LSS) Manual for Midwives—a comprehensive manual designed to help reduce maternal mortality, especially in developing countries. The LSS manual and training program encourage an expanded role for midwives in recognizing and responding to life-threatening emergencies.

First developed in 1990, LSS has been used by nongovernment and government organizations in Africa, Asia, the Americas, and the Caribbean (read more on page 9). For more information about the A.C.N.M. Foundation’s 2008 accomplishments, please see our online report supplement at www.midwife.org/annualreport2008.cfm.

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Public Policy:
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Lisa Summers, CNM, DrPH, FACNM

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